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UMB SEARCH COMMITTEE NAMED

UMass Board of Trustees Chairman Joseph Healey has named the following to the Search Committee for a permanent chancellor for the Boston Campus: Professors Steve Schwartz, Chairman, Monica McAlpine, Paul Rosenkrantz, and Joan Tonn, Dean Michael Riccards, Associate Vice President Sylvia Simmons, Ronald Crawford (Class of 1980), Lorraine Marie Patch (Class of 1978), and Trustees Daniel Dennis and Haskell Kassler.

The faculty and student members were chosen after nominations were made by the governing bodies on campus. The campus administrative representative was nominated by Chancellor Van Ummersen. The central office representative was nominated by the president, and the trustee representatives were chosen by the Board of Trustees. The Alumni Associations representative was named by the Alumni Board of Directors.

President Knapp reports the search will be nationwide, and letters soliciting nominations have been sent to heads of colleges and universities throughout the country.

Chairman Schwartz and the committee are seeking nominations from faculty members and suggestions regarding the qualities necessary and/or desirable for the position.

Following are the days, times and locations UMass/Boston members are available:

Steven Schwartz (X2980 or 2979) Bldg. 02/Fl.4/Room 619. Monday to Friday 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Monica McAlpine (X2651 or 2711) Bldg. 01/Fl.6/Room 61. Monday and Friday 12:30-1:30 p.m., Tuesday 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Joan Tonn (X3258 or 2480) Science

Bldg./Fl.3/Room 091. Tuesday 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Paul Rosenkrantz 100 Arlington Street, Room 807/X316. Wednesday 4:00-5:00 p.m., Thursday 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Chairman Schwartz reports that the Tuesday, Nov. 28 free period, 2:30-4:00 p.m., has been set aside for a discussion over coffee in the Faculty Club, 11th floor, Library.

Also, Rev. Michael Walsh, S.J., staff advisor to the committee, and his secretary Donna Mills are available throughout the day to receive nominations at 482-8400.

Dr. Schwartz expects nominations to close early in December.

MATZ ON GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE

David Matz, Director of the Center for Legal Education Services, named to Governor's Advisory Committee on prepaid Legal Services.

PATTERSON ON AFGHANISTAN REVOLUTION

"The Revolution in Afghanistan" will be examined by Prof. Franklin Patterson -- who recently returned from that country on a special fact-finding mission for the Peace Corps -- Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 8:00 p.m. in the first floor auditorium, Science Building.

TCP ADVISING

John Conlon, TCP Director, requests faculty to encourage their advisees who are contemplating a teaching career to contact the Teacher Certification Program Office for information and advising. TCP is especially interested in receiving applications from majors in the following disciplines: English, Math, History, and the Social Sciences.

Preliminary data from 666 colleges and universities indicate that in U.S. higher education as a whole, enrollment this fall is virtually unchanged from last year, according to a story in The Chronicle of Higher Education.

The data were gathered by Garland G. Parker, executive director of the University of Cincinnati's office for enrollment policy and educational research.

The total enrollment in colleges and universities rose slightly last fall. The year before, it declined for the first time in 25 years.

Preliminary data show a negligible increase of 0.2 per cent. He predicted later figures would increase the gain perhaps to about 1 per cent - but not much more than that, The Chronicle reports.

Mr. Parker cited these possible reasons for the slowdown:

- . Continued heavy impact of inflation and the rising cost of attending college.

- . Some delay in the awarding of the federal government's Basic Educational Opportunity Grants. The delay has been attributed to closer scrutiny of applications to avoid making grants to ineligible applicants.

- . A leveling-off in the number of high-school graduates.

- . Young people's continuing concern about the value of a college education.

Mr. Parker said there appeared to be a slowing of growth in two-year institutions. In the preliminary figures, enrollment in two-year colleges is up even less than the small gain among four-year institutions. In recent years, community colleges have grown much faster than four-year colleges.

Enrollment of full-time students in two-year colleges dropped more than 5 per cent this fall, compared to an increase of about 0.5 per cent at four-year colleges, according to the Parker data.

The number of part-time students increased more than 4 per cent at two-year institutions and declined more than 1 per cent at four-year institutions, Mr. Parker reported, according to The Chronicle story.

Marilyn Frankenstein, CPCS Center for Essential Skills, recently published a Basic Algebra book with Prentice-Hall. The publisher says the book: "Gives a thorough, interesting presentation of basic algebra to students who need a review before pre-calculus. Stresses that algebra is not just a collection of unrelated useless rules. Explanations emphasize that the rules are designed to make algebra a consistent system that works the way one expects numbers to work . . . Easy to teach-easy to learn from, because of the clear writing style and the gradual presentation of material."

CPR, FIRST AID COURSES

Sudden death from heart attack is the most frequent form of medical emergency. To help deal with this problem, Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid courses will be offered free to the public by the UMass-Boston Health Service Emergency Care Training Program beginning Monday, December 4.

The courses, which are given under the guidelines of the Heart Association and the Red Cross, will be conducted at the Harbor Campus. Certificates will be awarded by the two agencies. The only charge is for texts.

The CPR courses will be given Mondays through Thursdays over two weeks from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The First Aid courses will be given in separate sessions on Mondays and Wednesdays over a three-week period from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

For further information and registration, call the University Health Service at 287-1900, ext. 224.

'78 YEARBOOK READY

The 1978 UMB Yearbook is now available at the Book Exchange, Building II, first floor, room 413, or call X2646.

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